Drug Court Mission

The mission of the AJCDC is to reduce the impact of drug related crime by providing comprehensive treatment to substance abusers with the goal of improving public safety and decreasing the financial burden of drug addiction to the entire community.

Mission Check:

Purpose: Reduce impact of drug related...crime

Business: Provide treatment to substance abusers

Values: Improve public safety & decrease financial burden of drug addiction.

Goals & Objectives:

- Reduce incidence of criminal activity, creating safer communities.
- Reduce substance abuse among offenders by providing strong accountability that increases treatment compliance and successful outcomes
- Reduce the financial burden of drug addiction to our community, saving taxpayer money.
- Stabilizing families by breaking the cycle of addiction through highly structured treatment process that includes monitored drug screening, mandatory employment/school attendance, and regular court appearances.

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Sheryl B. Jolly

Coordinator: Keith Gray
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Prosecutor: Grant Usry, ADA

Amanda Heath, ADA

Falin Syms, ADA

Treatment: Ken Wilson

Helen Johnson Billie Hullum

Defense Counsel: Tanva Jeffords

Law Enforcement: Charles Cramer, RCSO

Stephanie Carani, CCSO Otto Robinson, Marshall Ronnie Collins, Marshall Scott Reese, Marshall

State Probation: Clara Glenn, PO II

Burke County Sheriff's Office

Service Providers Lead: Steppingstones To Recovery



Augusta Judicial Circuit Drug Court (AJCDC)



Augusta Judicial Center John H. Ruffin Jr. Courthouse



Columbia County
Government Center



Burke County
Courthouse

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Eligibility Requirements for Program Entry are as follows:

Qualifying offense:

- Possession with intent
- Manufacturing
- Entering an automobile
- Prescription forgery
- Theft by taking
- Habitual violator
- DWI Drugs
- Shoplifting
- Burglary
- Family violence misdemeanor
- Prostitution
- Battery
- Disorderly conduct
- Cruelty to children in the 2nd and 3rd Degrees

Disqualifying offense characteristics

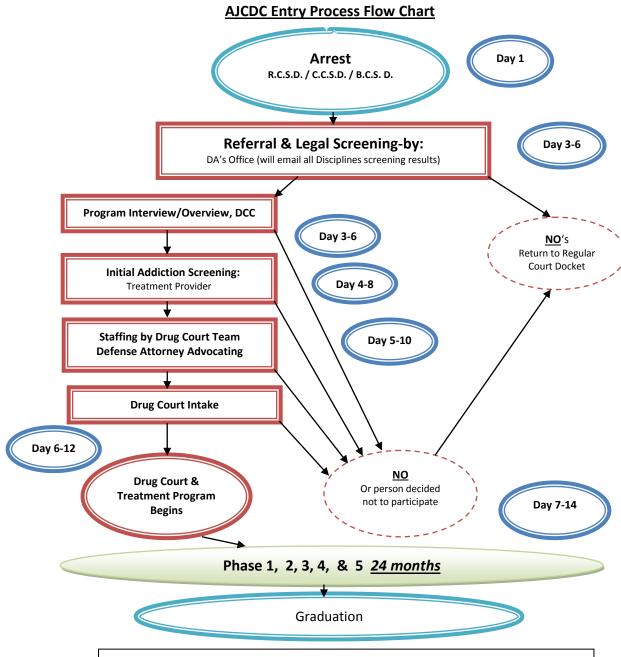
- Trafficking
- Sale
- No violent felony (Georgia State 7 violent)
- Prior history
- Child molestation, Sex offenders
- Robbery by force, Robbery by intimidation
- Manslaughter

Qualifying Characteristics of our offenders

- Circuit resident (Richmond, Burke or Columbia County)
- At least 17 years old
- Drug dependent
- Triggering arrest
- probation violations

Disqualifying characteristics of our offenders

• Severe medical; Severe mental; Alcohol use only



The Augusta Judicial Circuit Drug Court is a partnership among Judiciary, District Attorney, Law Enforcement, Drug Court Office, Treatment Providers, Defense Attorneys, and Probation Service Representatives.